MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO : There are 4 Ezhavas in the Survey Department drawing a pay of Rs. 20 and above.

MR. K. KUNJU PANICKER : Sir, May I know whether the Puduval Party is going to be stopped from this year ?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO : A section of the Survey Party may have to be stopped.

MR. K. KUNJU PANICKER : Will there be a reduction of the staff ?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO : No, I cannot say now. Perhaps the staff may be re-entertained.

MR. K. KUNJU PANICKER : Will there be a likelihood of the clerks and other staff being reduced who were already in service for 5 years ?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO : I don't think there will be.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM : Sir, may I know the grades of these ?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO : I am sorry I cannot give it now.

Travancore Factory Act and the Workmen in the Kannan Devan Company.

174. *MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN : Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Travancore Factory Act is applicable to the Workmen in the Kannan Devan Company or not ?

RAJYASEVA PRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Yes, if they work in premises which come under the definition of 'factory' according to the Factories Act.

Advisory Committee to Public Service Commissioner.

175. *MR. P. S. MUHAMED : Will the Government be pleased to state the date of the G. O. that constituted the Advisory Committee to the Public Service Commissioner and the date of the meeting of the committee first held ?

MR. C. S. LAKSHMANAN PILLAI : Date of the G. O. constituting the Advisory Committee 23-9-1940.

Date of the first meeting of the Committee, 16-10-1940.

Alleppey Port.

176 *MR. P. S. MUHAMED Will the Government be pleased to state the number of steamers that touched Alleppey Port in 1114 and 1115 separately ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: A statement* furnishing the information is laid on thetable

MR. P. S. MUHAMED : ഫ ഫ ര-ലെക്കാൾ ഫ ഫ ള-ൽ സ്റ്റീമറുക ളുടെ എണ്ണം നേരുപകുതിയായിരിക്കുന്ന സ്ഥിതിക്ക് ഫ ഫ സ-ൽ ഇതി നേക്കാളും കുറഞ്ഞുവരാനെ ഇടയുള്ളു എന്ന വിവരം ഗവണ്മെൻറിനറി യാമോ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : കുറയാനാണിട.

* *Vide* Appendix VIII. Page 234

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MR. P. S. MUHAMED: സ്റ്റീമർ വരുന്നതു ഇങ്ങനെ കറയുകയാണെങ്കിൽ, കടപ്പുറത്തു ജോലിചെയ്യുന്ന കുലിക്കാക്ക് കൂടുതൽ കഷ്ടപ്പാടുണ്ടാകയില്ലേ?

RAJYASEVA PRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: കരെ കഷ്ടപ്പാടുണ്ടാതിരിക്കാനും നിവൃത്തിയില്ല.

Allotments for relief works.

177 *MR. P. S. MUHAMED: Will the Government be pleased to state the amounts set apart for relief works at Alleppey, Shertallai, Vaikam and Quilon separately?

MR. P. J. THOMAS: Separate amounts have not been set apart for relief works at Alleppy, Shertallai, Vaikam and Quilon.

Occupation of the people of Shertallai.

178 *MR. P. S. MUHAMED (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have information about the occupation of the people of Shertallai;

(*b*) whether the majority of the people of Shertallai are engaged in coir industry, which is a domestic industry;

(*c*) whether the coir yarns spun at Shertallai have no market at present; and

(*d*) whether unemployment is on the increase at Shertallai?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) They are engaged in other occupations as well.

(*c*) Shertallai coir yarn has a poor market at present.

(*d*) There is unemployment in the coir industry and this applies to those working at Shertallai also.

Proportion of promotions in the P. W. D.

179 *MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) if in the matter of promotions, any proportion between B. E's. and Upper Subordinates is maintained in the temporary sub-divisions of the P. W. D.; and

(*b*) whether any such proportion is maintained in the permanent sub-divisions?

MR. P. J. THOMAS (*Deputy Chief Engineer*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes.

Charges against "Dakshina Bharathi."

180 *MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

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Appendix VIII.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 176.**

Statement showing the number and tonnage of vessels called at the Alleppey Port during the years 1114 and 1115 M. E.

Year.	Steamer.		Country craft.		Total.	
	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.	No.	Tonnage.
1114 ...	368	9,55,553	29	2,474	397	9,58,027
1115 ...	220	5,21,799	36	2,512	256	5,24,311